RESOLUTION NO. 2000-29

A RESOLUTION OF THE LODI CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A FUNDING AGREEMENT WITH THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION'S FARMLAND CONSERVANCY PROGRAM, FORMERLY KNOWN AS THE AGRICULTURAL LAND STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM FOR OPEN SPACE/AGRICULTURAL LAND PRESERVATION EFFORTS

WHEREAS, the Legislature has established the Farmland Conservancy Program within the Department of Conservation, and through a grant program is providing assistance to conserve important agricultural land resources that are subject to conversion pressures; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lodi intends to implement general plan policies and goals aimed at more actively preserving agricultural land surrounding the City; and

WHEREAS, in order to proceed with the processes of 1) gathering consensus within the community regarding open space, 2) identifying lands most suitable for preservation efforts, and 3) evaluating options for maintaining land in its pre-urbanized state, including purchasing conservation easements, transfer of development rights program, and modifying growth management criteria, the City will be utilizing a policy/planning grant to augment staff.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Lodi does hereby authorize the execution of an agreement for funding from the Farmland Conservancy Program. Funds will be used to evaluate and implement options for conserving agricultural lands south of Lodi between Lodi and North Stockton.

Dated: March 1, 2000

I hereby certify that Resolution No. 2000-29 was passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Lodi in a regular meeting held March 1, 2000, by the following vote:

AYES:

COUNCIL MEMBERS - Hitchcock, Land, Nakanishi, Pennino and

Mann (Mayor)

NOES:

COUNCIL MEMBERS - None

ABSENT:

COUNCIL MEMBERS - None

ABSTAIN:

COUNCIL MEMBERS - None

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City Clerk